Mr. SPEAKER.—Both questions are the same. Answer has been given.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Are the Government aware that the repairs of these roads are not undertaken for want of approval by the Government to the budget proposals sent by the District Board of Chitaldrug ?

Sri T. CHANNIAH.—No, no. Government are aware that all the District Fund roads in Chitaldrug cannot be taken up for maintenance this year for want of funds. Only a few roads will be taken up this year.

Sri Mulka GOVINDA REDDY.—Have the Government approved the budget proposals sent by the District Board of Chitaldrug ?

Sri T. CHANNIAH.—Yes.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—What are the roads taken over by the State and the roads that are earmarked for the District Boards ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—There is a Government Order which contains a list of all the State Fund roads and District Fund roads. I would like to draw the attention of the Hon'ble Member to that order.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—When was this classification made ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—Last year; I do not remember the exact date.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—Is it a good enough classification for the Chitaldrug because the total length of the road in charge of the District Board is about 458 miles as stated in the answer ?

(No answer.)

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—Does it include the recently constructed inter-village roads and distress relief works roads ?

Sri Kadidal MANJAPPA.—No.

Industrial and Testing Laboratory (Circular to Heads of Departments to purchase products).

Q.—420. Sri B. NARAYANA SWAMY (Mysore City South).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that Government have issued a Circular to all Heads of Departments to purchase materials manufactured by the Industrial and Testing Laboratory only ; if so, the reasons ;

(*b*) whether they are aware of several complaints made by the Medical Stores and Electrical Departments regarding bad supply and high cost of commodities supplied by the above firm ?

A.—Sri T. CHANNIAH (Minister for Public Health and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) No.
(*b*) No.

Sri B. NARAYANASWAMY.—The Hon'ble Minister is pleased to say that no circular has been issued. May I know whether any oral instructions have been issued to all departments in the matter ?

Sri T. CHANNIAH.—No oral intructions have been issued.

Sri B. NARAYANASWAMY.—I am given to understand that oral instructions have been given. Is that true ?

Sri T. CHANNIAH.—My information is that the Medical Department Stores are also purchasing certain drugs from the Testing Laboratory.

Sri B. NARAYANASWAMY.—My question is that the Minister for Industries has given some instructions to some departments to purchase materials manufactured by the Laboratory. Is that a fact ?

(No answer)

Mr. SPEAKER.—Does the Hon'ble Minister require notice ?

Sri B. NARAYANASWAMY.—Is it a fact that the Industrial and Testing Laboratory is making use of a Government Order while giving their quotations to the effect that as the company has to get only 10 per cent profit, the Government want that preference should be given to their products while purchases are made by departments ? Is that a fact ?

Sri H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—Government are not aware of it. But it is a fact that whenever a department wants to purchase any goods, as far as

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possible preference is given to indigenous goods, whether medicine or other goods. There is a circular that all those goods which are readily available and manufactured in Mysore must be preferred.

MR. SPEAKER.—I will not allow further supplementaries regarding the scope of the order. It is only concerned with the circular issued to that particular institution. You can ask only that.

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMY.—Yes Sir. In answer to (*a*) it has been said that no circular has been given and now the Minister for industries has been pleased to say that there has been a circular.

SRI H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—I do not say there is a circular. There are general instructions to the Stores Purchase Committee to the effect that whenever we want goods required for Government needs, we must purchase as far as possible goods of indigenous manufacture.

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMY.—Are the Government aware that the Industrial Testing Laboratory Company is saying that they have a circular from the Government to the effect that Heads of Departments should give preference to their articles while purchasing their requirements ?

SRI H. SIDDAVEERAPPA.—If they were to say like that, I will look into it. They have no business to make use of that circular for business purposes.

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MR. SPEAKER.—I do not allow that question. Next Question Sri Narayanaswamy.

Dispute with respect to certain properties in Ittigegud, between the Palace Mysore and Trust Board.

Q.—422. SRI B. NARAYANASWAMY (Mysore City South).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether any dispute of claims regarding certain properties in Ittigegud, Nazarabad Mohalla, Mysore, or between Palace and the City Improvement Trust Board, Mysore, has been referred to Government for settlement ;

(*b*) if so, when and what are the details of the dispute ; and

(*c*) what action Government has taken in the matter ?

A.—SRI T. CHANNIAH (Minister for Public Health and Local Self-Government).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) and (*c*) The matter is being looked into and it is not desirable to disclose the details in the public interests.

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMY.—What time does the Government take to settle the matter, Sir ?

SRI T. CHANNIAH.—The entire issue is under the consideration of the Government.

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMY.—What will be the time that Government will take to settle this matter ? How long and how much more time do they require to settle this matter, may I know ?

SRI T. CHANNIAH.—As early as possible.

SRI B. NARAYANASWAMY.—May I know what is that important matter which involves public interest that you have referred to in the answer ?

SRI T. CHANNIAH.—The real dispute is to settle which are the properties which really belong to His Highness and the properties that belong to the Trust Board and in respect of this matter the Chairman of the Trust Board has agreed to go and speak to His Highness ; afterwards the matter will be settled.

Excise contractors in default in Mysore District.

Q.—442. SRI S. H. THAMMIAH (Krishnarajanagar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—